

Who can enroll as a Scholar?

To be eligible for the Scholars program, students must:

- Be Indiana residents.
- Be U.S. citizens or eligible non-citizens.
- Be enrolled in the 7th or 8th grade at an Indiana school recognized by the Indiana Department of Education.
- Meet income eligibility requirements.
- Take the 21st Century Scholar Pledge.

Eligible students must enroll online before June 30th of their 8th-grade year at **Scholars.IN.gov/enroll**.

21ST CENTURY SCHOLARS CHECKLIST

- ☐ Apply online at **Scholars.IN.gov/enroll** before June 30th of your 8th-grade year.
- ☐ Create a ScholarTrack account at **ScholarTrack.IN.gov** to stay on track to earn your scholarship.
- ☐ Update your ScholarTrack account as you complete all 12 required Scholar Success Program activities throughout high school.
- ☐ Graduate high school with a minimum of a Core 40 diploma and a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- ☐ File the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by April 15 as a high school senior and each year thereafter until college graduation.
- ☐ Apply to an eligible Indiana college as a high school senior, and enroll in college as a full-time student within one year of high school graduation.
- ☐ Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards established by your college.
- ☐ Complete at least 30 credit hours each year in college to stay on track to earn your degree on time.
- ☐ Do not use illegal drugs, commit a crime or delinquent act, or consume alcohol before reaching the legal drinking age.

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What is 21st Century Scholars?

The 21st Century Scholars program was established in 1990 to increase students' aspirations for and access to higher education. The Scholars Program provides income-eligible students the opportunity to earn a scholarship that covers up to four years of tuition and regularly assessed fees.

21st Century Scholars supports eligible students and parents with the tools they need to prepare for college, graduate on time and begin a successful career.

The scholarship is awarded on an annual basis. Scholars are provided resources and assistance to help them plan and prepare for college and pay for expenses not covered by their scholarship. The scholarship does not cover the cost of books or room and board.

Visit Scholars.IN.gov/eligiblecolleges for a list of approved colleges.

What are Scholars expected to do?

Students who enroll in the 21st Century Scholars program must fulfill the Scholar Pledge to earn their scholarship.

THE SCHOLAR PLEDGE

- ✓ I will graduate with a minimum of a Core 40 diploma from a state-accredited Indiana high school.
- ✓ I will complete the Scholar Success Program that helps me stay on track for college and career success.
- ✓ I will achieve a cumulative high school GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- ✓ I will not use illegal drugs or alcohol or commit a crime or delinquent act.
- ✓ I will apply for admission to an eligible Indiana college my senior year.
- ✓ I will file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by April 15 as a high school senior and each year thereafter until college graduation.
- ✓ I will complete at least 30 credit hours each year in college to stay on track to earn my degree on time.
- ✓ I will maintain satisfactory academic progress (SAP) standards established by my college.

Students take the Scholar Pledge as part of the online enrollment process at Scholars.IN.gov/enroll.

SCHOLAR SUCCESS PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The Scholar Success Program includes annual activities that will help students stay on track for college and career success.			
GRADE	REQUIRED ACTIVITIES		
09	Create a Graduation Plan ¹	Participate in an Extracurricular or Service Activity	Watch "Paying for College 101"
10	Take a Career Interests Assessment	Get Workplace Experience ²	Estimate the Costs of College
11	Visit a College Campus	Take a College Entrance Exam (ACT or SAT)	Search for Scholarships ³
12	Submit Your College Application	Watch "College Success 101"	File Your FAFSA

1. Plan should be updated annually to keep students on track for high school graduation and college admission.
2. Includes job shadowing, internship, part-time employment, interviewing a professional or related experience linked to a student's career aspirations.
3. Includes any additional scholarship opportunities beyond the 21st Century Scholarship.

SCHOLARTRACK

ScholarTrack is the one-stop-shop for Hoosiers' state financial aid needs. Use ScholarTrack to complete the Scholar Success Program, update your contact information, and learn about and apply for other state financial aid opportunities. Log in to ScholarTrack at ScholarTrack.IN.gov.

